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Honesty & Integrity

Our actions and relationship with the community are guided by an internal sense of honesty and integrity. We believe in honest and open government that accentuates best business practices. We are dedicated to the highest ideal of integrity, openness and fairness in dealing with Deltona's citizens and its employees. We are committed to the careful stewardship of our resources, including human, financial and physical.

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City of Deltona - Proud to be part of it...

TNR program gets tested in Deltona

RETURN

NEUTER

This Fall, the Deltona City Commission approved a one-year pilot program designed to address a problem in the City of Deltona, a problem that many other communities throughout the United States are trying to address, and that is feral and stray cats.

The program, commonly called Trap-Neuter-Return or TNR allows free-roaming community cats "not belonging to particular humans" to be humanely trapped, sterilized and medically treated, their ears are "tipped," and then those deemed feral, are returned to the outdoor locations where they were found.

The feral cats (meaning those that are unsocialized to humans) may be relocated if their original locations are deemed unsafe or otherwise inappropriate. Kittens still young enough to be socialized and friendly adult cats, are typically placed in foster care for eventual adoption into homes as companion animals, rather than returned to the outdoors. Cats found suffering with terminal or untreatable illnesses or injuries are humanely euthanized.

Most veterinarians believe that TNR programs are effective in controlling population and permanently reducing the number of cats in an area, and thus lowering cat intakes and euthanasia rates at shelters. The returned, spayed and neutered colony guards its territory, discouraging unneutered cats from moving in and beginning the cycle of overpopulation anew.

Ear tipping is the universal sign of a neutered

or spayed feral cat. The procedure involves removing about a quarter of the tip of the cat's ear while the cat is anesthetized for spaying/neutering. Healing is rapid and the mark helps prevent unnecessary confinement, surgery and euthanasia.

As part of the program, the Halifax Humane Society recently received a grant to provide free spay/neuter surgeries for cats living in the 32738 zip code. Under the conditions of the grant, the Halifax Humane Society will likely sterilize about 600 Deltona cats. Along with the grant, Halifax will also offer low cost spay/neuter surgeries for our TNR program.

Deltona residents interested in scheduling a cat for a free surgery, should call

(386) 878-8867 and leave their name and telephone number. Someone will return the calls with a surgery date.

On the day of the scheduled surgery, the residents will be required to bring their cats in a crate or trap to Deltona City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd., by 7:30 a.m. Only one cat should be in each crate. The cats will be transported to Halifax's clinic in Daytona Beach. When the surgeries are complete Halifax will return the cats to City Hall at approximately 4 p.m.

Residents interested in voluntarily assisting with the TNR program, should attend a Care Giver/Volunteer Meeting hosted by Concerned Citizens for Animal Welfare (CCFAW), 6 p.m., Jan. 29 at Deltona City Hall.

I-4 'Ultimate' construction begins very soon

The Florida Department of Transportation is about to break ground on the largest infrastructure project in Florida history.

Construction on what's being called "I-4 Ultimate" is scheduled to begin in early 2015. The project will rebuild 21 miles of I-4 from east of Kirkman Road in Orange County to west of State Road (SR) 434 in Seminole County,



add two new dynamic tolled Express Lanes in each direction, replace more than 140 bridges, reconfigure 15 major interchanges, reconstruct the entire existing roadway and increase the highway design speed to 60 mph.

The project is expected to be complete in 2021, meaning the backbone of transportation in Central Florida will be under construction for six and a half years.

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January - February - March Calendar of Events

17 Annual Breakfast Celebration honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., 8:30 a.m., New Hope Baptist Church, 2855 Lake Helen Osteen Road. Tickets are \$10 and must be purchased in advance, (386) 804-6136.

18 MLK Gospel Program, 4 p.m., Deltona Alliance Church, 921 Deltona Blvd. Followed by a candlelight vigil. All area churches are invited to participate. Call (386) 532-8291 for details.

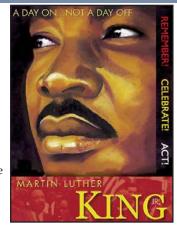
20 City Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Commission Chambers, City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd.

26 City Commission Workshop, 5:30 p.m., Second Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

February 2 City Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Commission Chambers, City Hall. 9 City Commission Workshop, 5:30 p.m., Second Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

14 Senior Sweetheart Italian Dinner, 3 p.m., Deltona Community Center, 980

Lakeshore Drive. Dinner served at 3:30 p.m. Tickets available at City Hall or the Community Center, \$5. For more information, call





(386) 878-8906.

16 City Commission Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Commission Chambers, City Hall.

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14 District 1 Town Hall Meeting with Commissioner Mitch Honaker, 2 p.m., Harris M. Saxon Community Center, 2329 California St.

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28 Eggstravaganza, 10 a.m. to noon, Dewey O. Boster Sports Complex, 1200 Saxon Blvd. West Volusia's largest egg hunt will begin promptly at 10 a.m.! There are also prizes, give-aways, games and entertainment.

For the latest information on City of Deltona events follow the City on Facebook and Twitter, watch DeltonaTV on BrightHouse Channel 199, AT&T U-Verse or visit DeltonaFl.Gov.



Fire Department: serving Deltona before we were City

THIS FALL WAS THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF the Deltona Fire Department. As we celebrated the humble beginnings, we remembered the community pride and history involved in building the department.

In the fall of 1964, under the leadership of Randy Kaufman, the 400 home owners of unincorporated Deltona formed the Deltona Volunteer Fireman's Association. Relying on community donations, often acquired through dances, movie nights, fundraising drives, or spaghetti dinners, the first crew of nine men set out to protect their community and grow their ranks.

By October of 1964, the Volunteer Fire Association received its Charter and Letter of Incorporation and set out to purchase its first vehicle, a 1942 General Fire Truck with a 300 gallon tank and a 20 gallon per minute

By 1965 the Fireman's Association raised enough money to build the first fire station on Lombardy Drive. It was a one-story 30 by 40 foot building constructed on land donated by the Deltona Corporation. At the time, it housed only one fire truck.

In 1969 the community of Deltona elected to provide its own fire protection when over 75 percent of the voters elected to create the Deltona Fire District. Following the expansion of the fire protection boundaries in 1974, a second station (Station 61) was built on Providence Boulevard. In its early days, this station was the site of many fundraising dances and dinners.

> In the early 1980's, as pre-hospital emergency care gained recognition, the department established the first unit that could handle emergency medical calls. Finally the 1995 vote to form the City of Deltona caused the

creation of the Deltona Fire Department. The new City of Deltona had a functioning fire department with an experienced staff

from the very first day.

As the community has grown, so has the department. Our Volunteer Association with an original crew of nine has expanded to the Deltona Fire Department, which employs 77. The Department includes two rescues with advanced life support and transport capabilities, four brush trucks, five fire engines (two with Compressed Air Foam Systems), a squad, a ladder truck, and a special operations team. Personnel staff five fire stations 24 hours a day, seven days a week, providing advanced life support and fire protection to the City.

The Department offers a variety of educational opportunities for residents and others including training in first aid and CPR, fire safety and prevention, and fire extinguisher and smoke detector use.

Although the Fire Department has changed over the last 50 years, the commitment to the community has not. We invite you to celebrate with us as we recognize the men and women who have served as members of the Deltona Fire Department over the last 50 years.

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The Latest From City Hall

New businesses add resident conveniences

Y NOW MOST DELTONA Presidents have seen, if not visited the new Deltona RaceTrac located at 3201 Howland Blvd. Their grand opening celebration, which happened in September 2014, included the high school



marching band, cheerleaders, a red carpet and more. The "gas station" contains much more than just fuel for your car but also a

frozen yogurt bar and a hot dog bar. There are more glimpses of economic progress on the horizon.

Perhaps a not-so-obvious but much-welcomed business is Tractor Supply Company. They are building a large store near the inter-

section of State Road 415 and Howland Boulevard. City and County officials, members of the Economic Development Advisory Board and others celebrated with the business at a ground breaking ceremony on Nov. 6, 2014.

On Nov. 25, 2014, the Office of Economic Development coordinated a ribbon cutting for the grand opening of East Coast Dragon Tattoo located in the plaza at 577 Deltona Blvd.

On Dec. 18, Florida Hospital Fish Memorial broke ground on the Deltona Health Park located at 1745 Sterling Silver Blvd. The Health Park will include a 20,000 square foot Florida Hospital building with facilities providing health care for women, children and general practice. More development is in the works for this intersection. Walmart is planning to build a Neighborhood Market across Sterling Silver Boulevard from the Health Park.





'ONE CAN' restocks Deltona's food pantries

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2014, THE City of Deltona organized a food drive, "ONE CAN Make a Difference," to support Deltona residents via seven food pantries that service them. City employees and residents responded generously with donations of non-perishable food staples. One resident, Jennifer Billings, saw information about the drive on the City's Facebook page. She rallied members of her church and they responded, contribut- Pastor Julio Lopez of ing a trunk load of groceries. On behalf of Trinity Assembly of God everyone at the City of Deltona, thank you picks up the portion for to Billings and others like her who got



his church's pantry.

involved and encouraged others to do the same. Please remember our food drive next year. We hope our contributions will continue to grow and more residents are served.

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schedule," says Loreen Bobo, P.E., I-4 Ultimate Construction Program Manager. "We are designing and constructing 250 lane miles in less than seven years." FDOT says that by using a public-private partnership mechanism – a contractual agreement between a public agency and a private sector proposer or bidder - the Florida Department of Transportation can deliver this project to the public 17 years sooner than traditional funding methods.

As construction ramps up, drivers will see crews overbuilding the roadway's shoulder, pile driving and relocating utilities. By summertime, major shifts in traffic patterns and phases will occur. For example, an auxiliary lane may become an exit lane. Drivers will need to pay attention to signage and are encouraged to visit i4Ultimate.com for the latest construction information. Commuters are encouraged to plan routes ahead of time or apply some new strategies, like carpooling or taking SunRail, to get them where they

Get help understanding Flood Insurance

THE CITY OF DELTONA PARTICIPATES IN THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT THE CITY OF DELTONA PARTICIPALES IN THE PEDERAL EMERGENCY S National Flood Insurance Program. This allows Deltona property owners to obtain Preferred Risk Policy subsidized insurance policies, whether they are within or outside of a FEMA identified Special Flood Hazard Area (i.e. 100-year floodplain). An additional measure is for a community to gain a FEMA Community Rating System designation, which the City is undertaking. The City Planning and Development Services Department often receives calls concerning floodplain locations within the City in relation to properties. The most common question is, "how can I obtain floodplain information as it pertains to my property, home, or business?"

The City Planning and Development Services Department provides Flood Insurance Rate Map information and other sources to individuals, lenders, insurance agents, real estate agents, and homeowners. Elevation Certificates are on file and available upon request through the City Building Department at (386) 878-8100 that show finished construction elevations for all newly constructed or substantially improved buildings. To determine if your property is in or near a Special Flood Hazard Area, or for help with interpreting the FEMA FIRM panels, please contact the City Planning and Development Services Department at (386) 878-8600. Also, information is available on the City's Web site, www.deltonafl.gov.

need to go.

Keeping traffic moving is crucial to the success of this project. The project team is committed to maintaining the same number of lanes that exist today while working to build a better I-4. To ensure that motorists can get where they need to go, lane closures will be limited to mostly nighttime hours, beginning as early as 8:30 p.m. and continuing as late as 7 a.m. Once major construction begins, drivers should expect temporary roadways, bridges and ramps, and continued traffic pattern changes and shifts. Work may also require ramp closures for extended periods. However, successive ramps may not be closed at the same time, and detours will be provided.

Additional project information, including a full list of lane and ramp closures, will be posted on i4Ultimate.com. Now is the time for Central Floridians to sign up for project newsletters and personalized alerts to help make informed decisions about when and where to travel. Visit i4ultimate.com or call (844) 858-4636.

Important Phone Numbers

Animal Control, (386) 878-8701 Automated inspection information, (386) 575-6900 or (407) 936-9999 Inspections, Permitting and Zoning, (386) 878-8650 City Clerk's Office, (386) 878-8500 City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd., (386) 878-8100 (Main Number/Receptionist) City Manager's Office, (386) 878-8850 Code Compliance, (386) 878-8700 Communication and Public Information, (386) 878-8755 Fire Department Administration, 1685 Providence Blvd., (386) 575-6901 Human Resources, (386) 878-8750 Mayor and City Commission, (386) 878-8860 Parks & Recreation, (386) 878-8900 Planning & Development Services, (386) 878-8600

Public Works, 201 Howland Blvd., (386) 878-8950

Solid Waste Division (for garbage services or dumping issues), (386) 878-8723

Volusia County Sheriff's Office, 1691 Providence Blvd., (386) 860-7030 VCSO After Hours, Non-Emergency, (386) 736-5999

Deltona Water (and sewer) 255 Enterprise Road, (386) 575-6800 (customer service) **Waste Pro** (recycling bins, garbage pickup and special pickups), (386) 574-0778 or (386) 574-0723

Emergencies, 911

Do you know your Mayor and Commission?

Mayor John Masiarczyk 2025 Adelia Blvd., (386) 299-2896, jmasiarczyk@deltonafl.gov Elected: Nov. 2014 Term Expires: Nov. 2018 Vice Mayor, Nancy Schleicher (District 4)

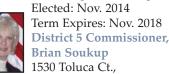
1460 Baton Drive, (386) 801-7481 nschleicher@deltonafl.gov Elected: Nov. 2012 Term Expires: Nov. 2016 District 1 Commissioner, Mitch Honaker

2551 Sweet Springs St., (386) 275-7729 mhonaker@deltonafl.gov Elected: Nov. 2014 Term Expires: Nov. 2018 District 2 Commissioner, Diane J. Smith

1355 Voltaire St., (386) 785-4595 dsmith@deltonafl.gov Appointed: Jan. 2015 Term Expires: Nov. 2016



District 3 Commissioner, Heidi K. Herzberg 556 Nardello Drive, (386) 405-8335 hherzberg@deltonafl.gov



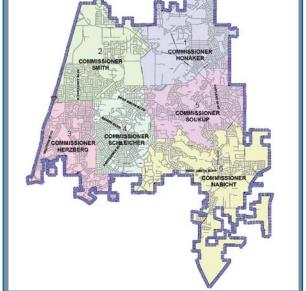


(386) 785-4265 bsoukup@deltonafl.gov Elected: Nov. 2014 Term Expires: Nov. 2018 District 6 Commissioner, Chris Nabicht 3298 Post Street,

(386) 804-5191 cnabicht@deltonafl.gov Elected: Nov. 2012 Term Expires: Nov. 2016







Residents who do not know who represents them on the City Commission can find out by contacting the Commission Office. To reach the Mayor & Commission's Administrative Assistant, Sandi Jackson, call (386) 878-8860 or e-mail her at sjackson@deltonafl.gov.



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